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## **TEACHERS INVITED TO APPLY FOR COLORADO ENVIRONMENTAL TRAINING INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIP**

Victorville – Five lucky Antelope Valley educators will be selected to attend *Key Issues: Bringing Environmental Issues to the Classroom*, a national teacher-training institute located in Silverthorne, Colorado this summer, free of charge.

Educators who teach at least one core subject area – i.e., science, social studies, math or language arts – in grades five through eight are encouraged to apply for one of five full scholarships, which are being sponsored by the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District, the Antelope Valley College SB-70 Executive Committee, Lockheed Martin Aeronautics/Palmdale and the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts. The scholarships are being administered through the Mojave Environmental Education Consortium, a public-private non-profit organization which links High Desert educators with quality environmental education resources to help them meet standards.

Five local teachers will be selected to participate in the Keystone Center's innovative training program, which equips educators with the process, skills and confidence to explore local and global environmental issues with their students, using a non-biased, standards-based instructional process.

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Using Colorado's spectacular ecosystems as its setting, *Key Issues* combines classroom time with outdoor exploration of the natural environment. In addition to enjoying professional networking opportunities with teachers from across the country, each participant will receive interdisciplinary, standards-based curriculum, software and lab materials to take back to their classroom.

All airfare, lodging and meals are included as part of the scholarship. Applicants may choose to attend any one of three week-long sessions offered between June 22 and July 25, 2010. Interested educators should submit a nomination letter from their principal and complete a brief application form, which is available online at [www.meeonline.com](http://www.meeonline.com). The deadline for submitting application materials is April 22, 2010. For more information, call (760) 245-1661, ext. 6104.

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